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## 1975 SIGHTING REPORTS CONTINUE

A UFO that paced a car and emitted a "yellow cast" which surrounded the vehicle; an object that emitted a light beam; another that emitted a sound; and UFOs that caused electromagnetic (E-M) effects and frightened witnesses were characteristics of sighting reports from at least four states during the first six weeks of 1975. Witnesses included police officers and two UFO researchers.

John Lutz and Courtney Jorden, executive director and assistant director, respectively, of the Odyssey Scientific Research Association (P.O. Box 2022, Baltimore, Md. 21203), were among the witnesses to a sighting in Baltimore, Md., on the evening of February 8. Mrs. A. Martinez first spotted the lights and alerted her nephew, Harry Reichlyn, a police officer. They then called the police and two officers also saw the objects. Lutz and Jorden arrived on the scene at 7:34, Lutz remarked in his report to UFOR.

The witnesses observed "two very bright, large star-like objects" with a blue light in between. The lower UFO, with "an orange-red, pulsating light on its south side," moved slowly north until it was beneath the top light, which was stationary. Then the top light blinked out.

Lutz called the Federal Aviation Agency control tower at Baltimore-Washington International Airport and was informed a United Airlines flight was in the vicinity, but there was no report the crew observed the UFOs. Meanwhile, another police unit also saw the lights.

At 8:11, the remaining object began moving and disappeared five minutes later.

At approximately 8:55 p.m., January 1, Mrs. Ralph Kleine was driving north on Route 27, near Carlyle, Ill.

"First, I noticed a bright glare reflected in my side view mirror," she recounted in the January 8, 1975, edition of the Carlyle *Union Banner*. "I thought it was kids with a spotlight attached on their car. I continued to drive, glancing frequently at the road behind. A ray of light directed my attention to the sky. There I discovered a large, yellow object following me. By 9:20 p.m., I had reached the Ten Pin Bowling Alley. The object had caught up with me and the yellow cast surrounded my car. After I turned west on Route 50, the yellow glow continued on down Route 127."

Ten minutes later, Debbie Jannett was traveling near Tamalco when she saw it.

"When I came to a stop at the Mulberry-Keyesport Road, I saw bright lights off to the left of the road..." she related. "It was so bright that one could not miss it. I thought it was a new building at first. However, as I turned right towards Keyesport, the object came up into plain sight. It was a huge, orange-yellow object. I was not frightened at this time. But all my attention was focused on this phenomenon and I almost ran into a train at the crossing... I had to stop. The object stopped also; it hovered in the air about three-fourths of a mile to my left. It was far enough above the ground that it could easily have cleared the train. I began to get frightened and locked my car doors. When the train passed, I drove into Keyesport and down the county road line. The object followed, traveling at the same rate of speed as I... When I turned onto Route 127, it was as if someone turned the light out. I just didn't see it any more."

Rick Sheetz, Rhonda and Bob Rosie, and Angie Florek spotted a large, white, bright flashing object over Shelton, Wash., at 10:15 p.m., January 18, according to the January 20, 1975, edition of the Olympia, Wash., *Olympian*.

"It moved to the right, stopped in mid-air, then started moving to the left," Sheetz stated. "It stopped again, went up, back to the right, went down and disappeared."

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#### 40% OF ALL AMERICANS BELIEVE UFOs ARE REAL

Forty percent of all American men and 39 percent of all American women believe, without reservation, that "UFOs are real," stated the December 17, 1974, edition of the *National Enquirer*. This was the finding of a Roper Organization poll, commissioned by the *Enquirer*, of nearly 2,000 U.S. citizens.

The question: "From time to time in recent years there have been reports of people sighting in the sky what are called unidentified flying objects or UFOs. Do you believe that these UFOs are real or don't you believe in them?"

The answers: citizens who believe in UFOs include 53% of those from the Western states; 51% of those between the ages of 18 and 29; 47% earning \$12,000 or more per year; 51% of those with college educations; 48% of the white-collar workers; 40% of the blue-collar employees; and 44% of the executives and professional workers. The smallest percentage of believers (31%) are from the South, with 39% in the Northeast, and 42% in the Midwest.

#### 1975 Reports (Continued from page 1)

Residents in the Tacoma, Wash., area observed "a rather obscure shape, with a brilliant bluish light around it" that sped over the Narrows, then turned toward Mt. Rainier at about 9:30 p.m., January 5, stated the *Tacoma News-Tribune*, January 6, 1975. A Gig Harbor resident said he saw the object flying from Shelton over the City Light Power transmission lines from Cushman Dam. At 9:52, citizen-band radio transmissions in the area were blacked out for a three and one-half minute period.

Lisa Ramirez and her son, Mark, saw an "extremely bright object" that hovered over an orange grove and emitted "a bright light that was first white, then red, and finally green" over Glendora, Calif., at about 1:55 a.m., January 6, stated the *Covina, Calif., San Gabriel Valley Tribune*, January 6, 1975. The object, which emitted a humming sound, "made a couple of hops," then shot straight up and disappeared.

#### FANTASTIC OCCUPANT REPORT HIGHLIGHTS 1974 SIGHTINGS

An occupant; UFOs that caused physiological and E-M effects, animal reactions, and frightened witnesses; objects that were photographed, emitted sounds, and appeared to merge with each other; a UFO detector that reacted to an object; a plane and a helicopter that chased UFOs; an object that apparently caused a power outage; another that disappeared as planes approached; a UFO that caused birds to become silent; an object that buzzed a truck and dipped beneath a power line; and others that dropped sparks to the ground, lit up the ground, and rose from a wooded area were characteristics of sighting reports from at least eight states and five foreign countries during the last quarter of 1974. Witnesses included police, a former police chief, a private detective, a civil engineer, and an amateur astronomer.

John Lutz, head of Odyssey, sent UFOR two reports from Maryland.

Several Baltimore Police Department officers, including James Bowen, James Jarvis, and W. Miller, saw a UFO that looked like "a pair of frozen men's long johns upside down with silver cannisters" about 20 feet long "hanging in V formation from waistband ends" at 3:45 p.m., December 11, in the Johns Hopkins University area of Baltimore. The object was about 40 feet high.

At 5:05, Fox Trot, a police helicopter unit, gave chase, but the UFO "outdistanced them." The pilot and observer said the object appeared to change to a V shape "and moved from a drifting speed to rapid speed in a northeast (30 degrees) direction."

Shortly thereafter, a private detective and former police officer and a private citizen observed a "silver V" object that sped to the northeast at an estimated 8,000-10,000 feet altitude.



It was about 10:30 p.m., November 23. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris had just returned from a rabbit hunt near Baltimore, Md., when Harris noticed his dog "began barking loudly." Mrs. Harris yelled for the animal to keep quiet, but the dog persisted. Perhaps there was a prowler on the property. Bailey and Harris grabbed their shotguns and investigated.

About 100 feet to the north of the house, the two men looked up and observed a huge, oblong-shaped UFO like a "Fourth of July sparkler, glowing a dull white, with red and blue lights pulsating" at an approximate altitude of 3,500 feet. Harris returned to the house for his binoculars and to alert the wives.

Approximately 15 minutes later, Mrs. Bailey said she saw two smaller objects in the west that moved east and "appeared brilliant blue and off-red." Mrs. Harris returned to the house and telephoned her neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Boughty, who arrived on the scene. They were joined by Lucy Mitchell, who had been driving by.

Meanwhile, the two smaller UFOs merged with the larger object, which was "constantly rotating clockwise" and appeared to both dim and brighten.

"Up until this point," Lutz stated, "all the objects... appeared to be giving off sparks, although none of these apparently touched the ground. They appeared to extinguish in mid-air. Immediately, the larger object appeared... to be ascending very slowly at about a 80-degree angle from where the merger occurred with a 45-degree tilt."

Bailey estimated the large UFO to be 30 feet long and 10 feet high. The smaller ones, he said, were about 8-10 feet long and 3-4 feet high.

A check with local airports and Aberdeen Proving Grounds, a military installation, revealed no known flights in the area at the time.

An unidentified man saw "two bright, flashing lights in the northern sky" at approximately 7:50 p.m., October 25, over Franklinville, N.Y.

"There were two lights, right next to each other at first," the witness stated in the Olean, N.Y., *Times-Herald*, October 26, 1974. "One was larger than the other. They were both like big, blinking flashlights. The smaller one went west real fast, then moved up and down, then took a quick, sharp lefthand turn and disappeared over the southern horizon. The larger one stayed in the same place for quite a time, then moved east and stopped, then turned north and stopped a couple more times before moving over the treetops."

The lights blinked on and off "at about the rate of an automobile turning signal" in the clear night sky.

The witness' wife, who was driving toward Franklinville at the same time as the sighting, saw the brighter light.

#### *UFO Detector Reacts*

At about 8:30 p.m., October 27, Norman Buford, Jr.; his father; Bettie Buford; Allen Buford; Dottie, Joe, and Butch Plummer observed a saucer with red-blue-brown-green lights over Ocala, Fla. The UFO flew at high speed at first, then stopped, reversed, stopped, ascended and descended.

"Then it just stopped, turned green, and disappeared," Norman, Jr., stated in his report to UFOR dated March 1, 1975.

About 10 minutes later, Norman, Jr., arrived at the home of a friend who had a UFO detector.

"The detector was going crazy!" the main witness recalled. "We took it outside and it was picking up something to the east... [The UFO] was there again. We watched it repeat its performance... and then it disappeared -- this time for good."

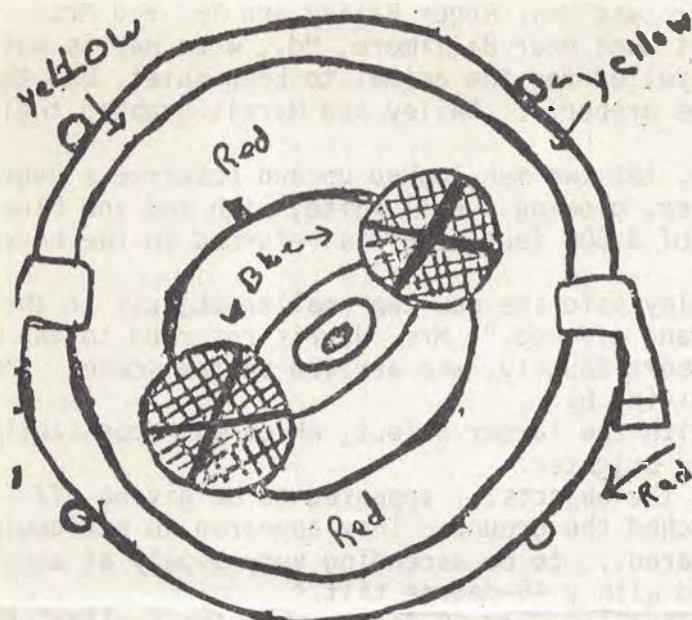
Norman, Jr., added his dog "was barking its head off" during the sighting.

Around 6:30 p.m., December 22, Pamela Lockwood and Mark Sutton observed a large, round object with white, yellow, red, blue, and green lights that rose from a wooded area and disappeared "at a high rate of speed" in Markey Township, Mich., said the Roscommon, Mich., *Herald News*, December 26, 1974.

Oklahoma was also the scene of sighting reports.

Don Selfridge, the former police chief of Maud, observed a "large, globe-shaped object covered with bright lights" four miles south of Seminole at around 6:15 p.m., December 9.





Sketch of UFO by George Williams, Jay, Okla., December 19, 1974

(Courtesy: Delaware County Journal)

The UFO ascended "straight up at a very high rate of speed," the December 10, 1974, edition of the *Seminole Producer* reported.

It was about 8 p.m., December 19. George Williams, of Jay, "heard a whistling sound outside" a barn. Stepping outside, he saw a disc "about the size of a two-room house" that was colored red, blue, and yellow. (See sketch, left). He said the light, which was emitted from the UFO's underbelly, lit up the ground and "temporarily hurt his eyes." After hovering for a minute or so, the object disappeared, stated the *Jay Delaware County Journal*, January 2, 1975.

A saucer with red and blue lights was observed by Tim Moll at about 7:05 p.m., October 10, over Perryville, Mo., said the *Perryville Perry County Republican*, October 18, 1974. The UFO, which hovered at first, outdistanced a plane which attempted to pursue it.

The incredible experience of Carl Higdon began about 4 p.m., October 25, during an elk-hunting trip south of Rawlins, Wyo.

"I walked down over this hill and saw five elk," the hunter related. "I raised my rifle and fired, but the bullet only went about 50 feet and dropped. I looked over to my right and there in the shadow was this sort of man standing there."

The "man" was of average height and weight -- six-two, 180 pounds -- and wore a black suit and black shoes. The bowlegged creature, with a slanted head, also wore a belt with a star in the middle and a yellow emblem. He apparently had no chin and his thin hair stood straight up.

"He asked me if I was hungry and I said yes," Higdon continued. "So he tossed me some pills and I took one. I don't know why I did it. I never take pills of any kind unless a doctor prescribes them, not even aspirin."

The creature pointed "what resembled a long finger" at Higdon, who suddenly found himself in a seven-by-seven foot cubicle with two creatures and the five elk he saw before.

"He asked me if I wanted to go with him and I said 'yes,'" the witness stated. "I told my wife a long time ago -- when these stories about UFOs and strange creatures were coming out -- that, if I ever got a chance, I would talk with them or go with them."

The "men" placed a helmet on Higdon, with a strap encircling his neck. Six wires from three sides were protruding. They were preparing for a 163,000-mile journey home, according to the creatures.

"In no time we arrived at this tall tower similar to a rotating restaurant like the Seattle Space Needle," Higdon explained. "The lights there were so intense and hurt my eyes a lot and the 'men' said our sun affects them in the same way."

Higdon related the creatures said they would take him home because of the blinding lights. The next thing he remembered he was inside the cab of his truck.

"My truck was about three miles from where I parked it," he said. "It's only a two-wheel drive and was in a mud hole where no one without a four-wheel drive would attempt to go."

Higdon was taken to Carbon County Memorial Hospital by police for observation.

"My doctor said there were no bruises on me and I wasn't bleeding anywhere," the stunned witness remarked, "but I'm still suffering from headaches and a backache."

Mrs. Higdon and two friends were searching for Higdon when he failed to return home on time. As they approached the area of the sighting, they observed a brilliant red-white-green light "resembling a large star."



Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle, a University of Wyoming psychologist and prominent UFO researcher, hypnotized Higdon twice and said the "indirect evidence supports the tentative conclusion" the witness "is reporting sincerely the events which he experienced," according to a story by UFO journalist David Branch in the January 8, 1975, edition of *The* (Santa Ana, Calif.) *Register*.

At 8:55 p.m., October 13, an unidentified family in Carmel Valley, Calif., watched a bright red disc "the size of a full moon" that emitted "a green light which sparked off toward the ground" descend over a vacant lot, stated the Carmel Valley *Outlook*, October 17, 1974. The UFO's brilliant lights blinked off, "leaving a softer glow." During the 15-17 minute observation, "the house lights blinked several times and every dog in the area barked and howled, then were uneasy the remainder of the night." The object "left two sparkling vapor trails estimated to be many miles long."

Canadian residents reported seeing UFOs.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ludwig; their son, Andy; and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Plant, observed "two glowing, disc-like objects" at the same time as a power outage on their farm south of Waterford, Ontario, at 6 p.m., November 27. The UFOs were hovering above a tree-line. The higher object was red and green and the smaller UFO was orange and red. They had "a constant glow." The large object moved to the right and the smaller one flew fast in a straight line, then to the left and stopped. Then it returned to the other UFO.

"Sometimes it appeared as if the objects merged," Mrs. Ludwig explained in the Simcoe, Ontario, *Reformer*, November 28, 1974. "The funny part was, they disappeared for a while, then reappeared.... The lights would dim, then get brighter. The whole thing was unbelievable, difficult to explain."

At 9:50 p.m., October 25, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Case were about 16 miles north of Drayton Valley, Alberta, when they spotted what appeared to be a white star in the east. They stopped at the Tomahawk turnoff. The light came closer and the couple saw three white lights "like spotlights" that alternately flashed on and off, stated *The* (Drayton Valley) *Western Review*, October 30, 1974. The object emitted a "funny droning sound." It was "about twice as high as the treetops." The UFO turned to the northeast and the witnesses saw a red light "on the back." The object "sort of hovered, but not on one level." Then the mysterious craft turned toward Drayton Valley and "eventually disappeared from view."

#### *UFO Drops Beneath Power Line*

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Marose were driving their truck near Taber, Alberta, at about 1 a.m., December 1, when they saw some lights to the left. They turned north.

"Just as we completed the turn, this object showed up in our headlights," Marose related in the December 4, 1974, edition of the Taber *Times*. "It was spherical in shape and about 10 feet through and was surrounded on the outer surface by a ring of brightly colored lights -- blue, red, white and yellow -- and the rest of it was dark. As soon as our lights hit it, it moved right toward us at a high rate of speed and, then as it neared the truck, it zoomed overhead and started to follow us and, when I'd speed up in the truck, it would speed up right with us and then sail off ahead and circle back. At one point it moved toward the power line along the road and I remarked to my wife that it might strike the power line, but it dropped right underneath the power line a couple of times and moved along with us. It seemed to be chasing us and acted as though it were playing tag. It seemed to know what it was doing. It followed us this way for about 2 1/2 miles, but, when we neared the farm, it moved away from us and hovered in the sky about half a mile from the farm as I put the truck away. Boy, I'll tell you we were scared."

Shortly after, the UFO "sailed away at high speed and disappeared." Marose's younger brother, Darrel, also saw it.

Residents in Great Britain observed the mysterious objects.

On October 21, Greg Marchant, of Highlands Crescent, Bournemouth, saw and photographed a bluish-green light that sped across the sky.

"I had time for only one picture," Marchant related in the November 3, 1974, edition of *News of the World*. "The strange thing was, there was no sound -- just the traffic noise outside our house. I've never believed in these things before, but I do now. It was so real. I knew I couldn't have imagined it. I'm terrified of what I saw and I never want to see anything like it again."



Greg's father, Albert Marchant, said: "I know this is genuine. My wife and I were watching television when Greg rushed downstairs with his camera, shouting that he had spotted something in the sky. He came back in and developed the print in front of our eyes. There's no way it could be a hoax."

The Marchants live on a nearby Hurn Airport flight path, but airport officials said there were no aircraft flying at the time of the sighting. Harry Longhurst, the airport director, the airport staff and radar operators were also puzzled by the photograph.

"It's like nothing I've ever seen before," Longhurst remarked. "I just can't explain it."

On the evening of December 9, Peter New, an amateur astronomer, saw a "bright disc" hovering over Bletchley.

"It was there for some minutes," he stated in the December 13, 1974, edition of the *Milton Keynes Gazette*, "and then I noticed two planes approaching and it just vanished. It was the most amazing thing I have ever seen."

On the early morning of October 13, Police Officer David Dawson and Alan Kerr, a civil engineer, were descending Tower Ridge, on Ben Nevis, Scotland. They saw a UFO.

"At about 4 a.m., we were sitting, resting, when it happened," Constable Dawson related in the October 14, 1974, edition of the *Glasgow Scottish Daily Express*. "A bright light appeared about 400 feet below us, as if it was traveling slowly along the bottom of the glen. At first it looked like a star. Then it rose and came above us, about 600 feet away, and we could hear a deep, rich, powerful sound like the humming noise of an electricity transformer. It was not a meteorite or any plane or helicopter that we have seen or heard before. There was an engine and I would have guessed that it was a manned vehicle."

Kazuhiki Fujimatsu, a student at the Hiroshima Prefectural Technical High School, Japan, saw UFOs on October 11 and 21. He took three photographs of the objects on each day. At about 6:30 a.m., on the 11th, he spotted a hat-shaped saucer speeding above Mt. Senkoji near his home in Kurihara-cho. It was heading northwest at an altitude of approximately 400 meters, according to the *Mainichi Daily News*, October 23, 1974. A few minutes after photographing it, he saw it going from the northwest to the southeast. He estimated it to be 40 meters in diameter and five meters in depth.

At about 2:05 p.m., on the 21st, Fujimatsu and three friends saw the same or a similar object over Fujimatsu's home. A teacher at the school, Koichi Ikeda, said he believed the six photographs had not been faked.

It was just past noon, November 5. Harry Pinhorn, of Wyoming, New South Wales (NSW), Australia, saw a huge gray UFO hover over a factory in Lisarow, then ascend straight up "as if there was a hole in the sky."

"It flew across from the northwest, from the Mangrove Mountain area, I think, hovered over the factory, and then went up out of sight," the witness related in the November 14, 1974, edition of the Gosford, NSW, *Central Coast Express*. "I looked up at the trees because the birds had all suddenly gone quiet and there it was, flying towards me. It was a clear blue sky -- there was no mistaking what I had seen. I have never seen anything like it before. It sort of gives you a funny feeling to think there really are things from outer space flying around."

#### FBI APPEARS TO BACK CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES

By publishing an article entitled "The UFO Mystery," by Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director of the Center for UFO Studies, and including a box stating where law enforcement agencies may write to obtain the center's private, toll-free telephone number (UFO CENTRAL) (Center for UFO Studies, P.O. Box 11, Northfield, Ill. 60093), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has all but endorsed the center's work.

"It is natural for law enforcement agencies to solve mysteries," Hynek stated in his article, published in the February, 1975, edition of the *FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin*. "Now, they can help solve what may be one of the greatest mysteries of all time.... For many years, local law enforcement officials have borne the brunt of public concern in the persistent mystery of UFOs."

In late 1973, after the start of a huge nationwide sighting flap, Hynek's idea for the center materialized into reality. Numerous scientists around the U.S. and in France and



Australia are participating. The center operates, on a continuous, round-the-clock basis, a toll-free telephone service, where law enforcement agencies can call.

"Through the cooperation of the director of Northwestern University's Traffic Institute," Hynek continued, "this toll-free number was distributed to several thousand police chiefs and sheriffs around the country. It is urged that this number be widely disseminated to lawmen in all parts of the country. Phone stickers with this number are available through the center. *A word of caution:* The number should *not* be given to citizens reporting the UFO. The law enforcement agency should place the call. Nor, of course, should the number ever be released to the public, for obvious reasons."

The astronomer explained what happens when a call reaches UFO CENTRAL.

"The report is evaluated by the receiving operator," he said. "If it is considered urgent (for example, a landing case, particularly if physical evidence is reported), the director of the center is immediately notified, regardless of the time of day, and appropriate action is taken. Usually, this consists of telephone interviews with the original witness to get the record straight early in the game, followed by notification of a center investigator in the area. Since investigators serve on a volunteer basis (but are generally professional people, often engineers or those with other technical training), they are notified immediately only in urgent cases. If the UFO report does not demand immediate attention, an investigator is notified by phone or mail, and a report form is sent to witnesses for return to the center."

Hynek added "the cooperation of law enforcement officials is of great importance. Only they can protect, for instance, the scene of a UFO incident from disturbance, and their presence at such a scene lends authority which the public recognizes."

The former chief UFO scientific consultant to the Air Force wrote that data-gathering is only one function of the center.

"Study and analysis of UFO reports are its prime aims," he stated. "And primary in this is the laboratory study of those 'close encounter' cases in which associated physical effects are alleged to have occurred... Medical examination of persons reported temporarily blinded or paralyzed is also sponsored by the center. Likewise, when the physical effect takes the form of interference with electronic circuits, automobile ignitions, and electrical systems, the center attempts to study the equipment affected and the manner in which it was affected."

#### PHYSIOLOGICAL, E-M EFFECTS UNDERLINE OLD SIGHTING REPORTS

Three old UFO sighting reports spanning a 20-year period have been recently uncovered by UFOR's New Mexico Subcommittee. (See *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. IV, No. 3, p. 2).

On an evening in late August, 1952, Mr. R (who prefers anonymity), a retired pharmacist, professional pilot, and member of a famed football team of yesteryear, was at the controls of a DC-3 cargo plane enroute to Albuquerque, N.M., from Chicago, Ill. At about 10:15 p.m., he was over the Spanish Peakes, in the south-central section of Colorado, when he observed a very bright chartreuse-colored UFO on a fast approach.

"The object was flying at the same altitude as the DC-3 and was 'closing-in' on a flight path perpendicular to that of the aircraft, coming from the west," stated Bruce J. Kennedy, subcommittee member, in a report to UFOR. "The witness first feared that it may be a meteor on an inevitable collision course with his aircraft and immediately proceeded to transmit the international distress signal ('Mayday') over the radio. It was at that time the witness noticed the radio was not functioning, even though the dial was in the 'on' position. A quick check of the instrument panel revealed that the plane's compass was spinning violently and many of the meters was going 'haywire,' swaying from side to side. Following a futile effort to send a radio transmission, the witness looked out the canopy just as the object suddenly stopped its rapid forward motion and began to slowly fly alongside... the aircraft, about 100 feet from the right wing."

R could now see the object more clearly. It was oval-shaped, with a yellowish-green border. A thin, blue-white "halo" appeared to surround it. The huge, solid-looking UFO was estimated to be 75 feet in diameter and 25 feet high.

The object paced the airplane for about two minutes, then veered about 200 feet to the right and rose fast at a 30-degree angle and disappeared. After the object left the E-M effects cleared up.



During the sighting, the pilot "experienced increased cardio-respiratory activity and much emotional stress."

"Although convinced that he had seen an object that was neither man-made or a natural phenomenon, Mr. [R] never reported this incident to anyone for fear of ridicule by his associates and harassment from the military," Kennedy continued. "The witness expressed the strong desire to keep his name confidential, as he felt disclosure of his name would jeopardize his son's job at [a] large aerospace industry... He indicated his willingness to be interviewed on the matter is due only to the fact that he is now retired and no longer maintains a pilot's license.... Upon cross-questioning, his answers accurately coincided with facts he had stated in his narrative. Several of his [colleagues] vouched for Mr. [R's] honesty, psychological stability and 'level-headedness,' as well as admitting they had never heard him speak of the sighting prior to that time. One... lawyer stated he would never hesitate to have Mr. [R] give testimony in a court of law..."

Joe N. Cook, a traffic manager for a large government installation, spent four years with the rank of captain in the U.S. Army's Transportation Corps during World War II. At 1:30 a.m., about the last week of May, 1966, he saw, from his bedroom window in Holiday Park, N.M., a metallic dome-shaped disc about 500 feet above the Sandia Mountain television tower. The object had a red light on top, a white glow like a "lighted room" on the body of the dome, and a blue light around the center of the "saucer," stated Malcolm Macht, subcommittee chairman. The UFO moved erratically to the north and disappeared.

It was 2:30 on a morning in May, 1972. Two witnesses (who request anonymity) were driving on Interstate 25, 10 miles south of Santa Fe, N.M., when they observed a large, oblong-shaped, very bright, silver-colored object. After viewing the UFO, the observers "blacked out" and did not regain consciousness until they were a few miles from Bernalillo -- about 45 miles away! David Foster, subcommittee member, investigated the incident.

#### BOOK REVIEW CAPSULES

- James M. McCampbell, *Ufology -- New Insights From Science and Common Sense* (153 pgs., 1974; order from Jaymac Co., 12 Bryce Ct., Belmont, Calif. 94002, \$4.20). In this stimulating work, the author, in the words of Dr. J. Allen Hynek, "combines logical and systematic marshalling of facts with provocative speculation." McCampbell's credentials are far above the usual run of UFO authors: he is an engineer-physicist and has formulated "expansion plans for national research centers, economic development plans for foreign nations, test facilities for NASA, and nuclear power stations." His name is included in several Who's Who books and he is a member of several scientific societies. He is also the first person to take aviation writer Philip J. Klass (see *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. IV, No. 4, p. 6) up on his long-standing \$10,000 UFO bet. The agreement, signed in January, stipulates McCampbell will pay Klass \$100 per year for 10 years until conclusive evidence is established that UFOs are extraterrestrial. If such proof is forthcoming at any time in the future, Klass will forfeit \$10,000 to McCampbell.

- Robert Emenegger, *UFOs -- Past, Present and Future* (Ballantine Books, 201 E. 50th St., New York, N.Y. 10022, Paperback, \$1.50, 180 pgs., 1974). This work was adapted from an original Sandler Institutional Films screenplay by the author and "the material presented... was carefully selected, researched, documented, rechecked, and often quoted directly from the U.S. government case histories" -- making it, perhaps, a unique book of its kind. Emenegger makes it clear the U.S. government has not told all and he presents a wealth of startling case histories that make the extraterrestrial hypothesis all the more palatable.

- George D. Fawcett, *Quarter Century Studies of UFOs in Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee* (90 pgs., 1975; order from Pioneer Printing Co., P.O. Box 407, Mt. Airy, N.C. 27030; U.S.: \$4.15 (book rate), \$4.75 (first class), N.C. residents add 4% state sales tax; foreign: \$4.15 (book rate), \$4.87 (first class)). Fawcett, a UFO researcher for the past three decades, has compiled a list of sightings in three Southern states and supplemented them with photographs, recommended UFO books and organizations, statements by prominent persons, and a foreward by Coral E. Lorenzen, of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization.

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